

Lions Foundation of Victoria

Grant Request Form

**“Improving the quality of living in our local communities by maximizing the charitable impact of giving and volunteering”** is *the Mission Statement of The Lions Foundation of Victoria.*

The Lions Foundation of Victoria and the Victoria Lions Club share joint memberships and common values but have separate boards and officers. The fiscal year for both organizations is July 1st – June 30th.

The Lions Foundation of Victoria is a 501(c)(3) organization that serves the city of Victoria and surrounding communities by administering charitable giving with the funds raised through Victoria Lions Club fundraising events, managing charitable gambling revenue and gifts from individuals, businesses, and other organizations.

The Victoria Lions Club’s members continue to provide volunteer support for community service projects, fund raising events, and the administration of Club meetings and membership.

Jointly **“The Victoria Lions”** work closely together on charitable giving objectives. The ability to donate to your organization shall reflect the values of the **“The Victoria Lions”** by being equal opportunity organizations that do not discriminate against any other group or organization for race, color, religion, sexual orientation, disability, age, military service, or affiliation with any other positive community-oriented group.

The Lions Foundation receives much of its revenue through the management of charitable gambling. Donations of gambling proceeds are regulated by the Lawful Purpose Expenditures defined by the State of Minnesota.

If your organization is seeking donations that support the following, the Lions Foundation of Victoria will consider your request:

* Lions International focus areas:
	+ [Vision](https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/vision)
	+ [Youth](https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/youth)
	+ [Disaster Relief](https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/disaster-relief)
	+ [Humanitarian](https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/humanitarian) Causes
	+ [Diabetes](https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/diabetes)
	+ [Hunger](https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/give-our-focus-areas/hunger)
	+ [Childhood Cancer](https://www.lionsclubs.org/en/start-our-global-causes/childhood-cancer)
* Focused on but not limited to supporting local community efforts.
* Local relief of the effects of poverty, homelessness, or disability
* A local organization conducting nutritional programs, food shelves, and congregate dining programs.
* Recognition of military service (open to the public) or active military personnel in need
* Activities and facilities benefiting youth under the age of twenty-one.
* An arts/library organization to fund programs in the community.
* Recognizing humanitarian service demonstrated through volunteerism or philanthropy.
* And your organization is a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) Festival organization.

If you feel that your organization and request meet the requirements above, please continue to the following pages of the application process. No application will be considered without all pages filled out in entirety.

Please know that the application will be processed as received.

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Donation Request Form

Please type or print legibly.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What type of charitable organization are you (i.e., 501(c)(3), or other?)

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What is your mission? How long has the organization been in existence? Please provide any historical information about the impact your non-profit organization has had. Please share approximately how many people have been served through your non-profit’s existence. Please share the results you have achieved with past funding.

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**If you are a 501(c)(3) organization, please provide a copy of your IRS determination letter, granting**

**your status as a 501(c)(3) organization with this application. Also provide a link to or a copy of your latest IRS Form 990.**

Official name of your organization: For the purposes of this application, it must be the same as listed on your 501(c)(3) designation form and/or your business name registered with the Minnesota Secretary of State

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Please provide us with your contact information including:

Application Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Official address of Organization \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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List your board of directors. What is your policy for length of term and compensation? Please share information about your staff and the roles they play.

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**About your request for Grant Support:**

Are you asking for a specific amount? If so, how much?

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Please share your operational budget for the current fiscal year:

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Please describe the specific reason for the grant, how it will be utilized and who will be the recipient of the mission’s work. Please comment if this grant will be used for operating expenses or a onetime project or program.

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In what period would this donation be used? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What are your long-term goals and how do you anticipate them to change in the next 3 years?

Does your organization offer opportunities to leverage volunteers, other funds and/or forge partnerships with other organizations that will increase the impact of funds?

How did you hear about the Lions Foundation of Victoria? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever applied for a donation from the Victoria Lions Club, or any other Lions Club?

If so, please name the club, date, and purpose for funding. Please refer to the application if funding was not received as well.

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If your request is approved, what is your preferred method of delivery? (note, checks must be made out to the organization or person(s) benefitting from the grant)

If requested, would you be available for a presentation to the Lions Club to review your mission and non-profit?

**Please provide any other information that would help us understand and consider your request.**

The Lions Foundation of Victoria Board of Directors meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month to review grant applications. Typically, your application will be reviewed at the next meeting after receiving your application.

Grant Application Submission Contact Information:

Email Address: lionsfoundationvic@gmail.com (best option)

Mailing Address:

Lions Foundation of Victoria

Attention: LFV Grant Application

PO Box 315

Victoria, MN 55386

For Internal Use Only:

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date Foundation Board Review: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_